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## **RFP CHANGE #1**

RE: Request for Proposals – Asset Management Consultant Services

The Request for Proposals (RFP) for the above-mentioned services has been modified to clarify the RFP by addressing the following questions:

- 1. Can the electronic copy of the proposal be submitted on a USB flash drive instead of a CD or DVD?
- A. Yes, thumb drives are acceptable.
- 2. If our firm already has an updated AF38 on file with VTrans, do we still need to include a copy with our proposal package?
- A. No, but you do need to include a letter stating that is the case. The current information must be under 18 months old.
- 3. On Page 2, there is a discussion of the maximum limiting amount. Can you further explain what the maximum limiting amount is? For example, is it the ceiling or top amount.
- A. As stated in the RFP, the maximum limiting amount for each contract will range from \$400,000 upward. The actual amount awarded per contract will be determined based on resources available including the number of available qualified staff dedicated to the contract, as proposed and/or established during negotiations.
- 4. We intend to propose a firm fixed price. Is that acceptable?
- A. No.
- 5. On page 9, there is a discussion of the breakdown of rates. We do not typically disclose the breakdown of all rates by classification. We prefer to provide a blended rate for all personnel. This rate will include direct, overhead, profit and expenses. Is that acceptable to the State?
- A. No.
- 6. Can you provide an estimated budget for the work to be performed?
- A. As stated in the RFP, the maximum limiting amount for each contract will range from \$400,000 upward. Award of a contract does not guarantee payment of the entire maximum limiting amount.

- 7. Does the 12 pt font requirement also apply to the 1-page resumes and Quality Control Plan? Since these are not part of the 20 page limit, I'd like to clarify the required font size.
- A. Yes, a minimum of a 12 point font is required throughout the proposal.
- 8. Do we need to resubmit the form and financial material for the Asset Management Consultant Services proposal or will us having it filed already suffice for the requirement in Section 4 of the RFP?
- A. If your financial information and AF38 is current (under 18 months old), you do not need to resubmit it, however, please send a letter to that effect in the sealed envelope marked "Financials". It is only current if it associated with an active contract and submitted in the last 18 months.
- 9. Is it necessary to submit the form and financial information for our subconsultants on this proposal? Several of these subconsultants are sole practitioners; if they need to submit this form with the proposal, would you clarify what financial material would be required.
- A. As stated on page 9, Section 4 of the RFP, a current AF38 must be submitted from each subconsultant.

All other requirements as specified in the Request for Proposals shall remain unchanged.

Sincerely,

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